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MODULATING FERTILITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.115, kindly enter the following amendments and
consider the remarks below in connection with the above-identified patent application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, line 3, insert the following paragraph:

The present application is the national stage application of International
Application No. PCT/US00/02675 filed February 1, 2000 (published as WO 00/44395 on
August 3, 2000 in English), which claims the benefit of provisional Application Serial No.
60/118,030 filed February 1, 1999 and provisional Application Serial No. 60/118,995 filed
February 8, 1999.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to incorporate the priority application
information in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2).